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SR 16 Scheduled for Closure Between US 31 and SR 19; Begins June 1

Detour announced

MIAMI COUNTY, Ind. - The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) Fort Wayne District announces SR 16 between US 31 and SR 19, near Chili, IN, will be closed beginning Tuesday, June 1.

Crews will be replacing a box culvert in that area. The detour follows SR 19 to US 24 to US 31 and adds 10 miles for thru traffic. Work is expected to be complete by early July.

Funding for this project is through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The contract was awarded to Brooks Construction, based on the company's low bid of \$397,000.

This restriction takes place on the heels of Highway Work Zone Safety Awareness Week, an annual event to remind motorists of work zone hazards. The awareness campaign promotes safety in work zones by advising drivers to slow down, minimize distractions, and allow ample time to reach destinations.

In 2009, 700 people were killed nationwide in work zones. Most of the fatalities were not highway workers but drivers. Additional work zone safety information can be found at www.WorkZoneSafety.IN.gov.

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